

NEBRASKA WIC VENDORS' UPDATE SPECIAL PURCHASE STORE EDITION



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NEW WIC FOOD PACKAGE

- Thank you for your cooperation with the new food package for WIC and changes for this new contract period.
- Points & reminders to share with you and your staff.
 - WIC participants may only purchase the formula specifically listed on their WIC checks.
 - A special purchase store (pharmacy) shall **only** accept WIC checks for special and medical formulas.
 - Examples of some of the special and/or medical formulas are the following.
 - Boost Kid Essentials
 - Boost Kid Essentials 1.5
 - Nutramigen LIPIIL with Enflora 12.6 oz. powder
 - Enfacare LIPIIL 12.8 oz. powder
 - Elecare 14.1 oz. powder
 - Neocate 14 oz. powder
 - Neocate Junior 14 oz. powder
 - Neocate 1+ 100 gram powder
 - Nutren Junior 8.45 oz. ready to feed
 - Pregestimil LIPIIL 16 oz. powder
 - Similac Alimentum 16 oz. powder
 - Similac NeoSure 12.8 oz. powder
 - Similac PM 60/40 16 oz. powder
 - Pediasure 8 oz. ready to feed
 - Pediasure with Fiber 8 oz. ready to feed
 - Peptamen Junior 8.45 oz. ready to feed
 - Vivonex Pediatric 1.7 oz. powder
 - **Not authorized** to redeem WIC checks for primary contract formulas.
 - Primary contract formulas are:
 - Enfamil LIPIIL 13 oz. concentrate
 - Enfamil LIPIIL 12.9 oz. powder
 - Enfamil LIPIIL 32 oz. ready to feed
 - Enfamil Gentlease LIPIIL 12 oz. powder
 - ProSobee LIPIIL 13 oz. concentrate
 - ProSobee LIPIIL 12.9 oz. powder
 - ProSobee LIPIIL 32 oz. ready to feed
 - Enfamil AR LIPIIL 12.9 oz. powder
 - Enfamil AR LIPIIL 32 oz. ready to feed
 - Next Step LIPIIL 24 oz. powder
 - Next Step ProSobee LIPIIL 24 oz. powder
 - **Not authorized** to accept WIC checks for food, i.e. milk, cheese, cereal, etc.
- Complete listings are found in your Nebraska WIC Vendor Handbook and Approved Food List booklet provided to you at the WIC Contract Training in September.
- If any questions please contact your local agency WIC vendor manager.

**Reminder
for Bookkeepers!**

When processing WIC checks:

- Ensure you are using correct stamp (your Nebraska WIC authorized Vendor Number Stamp)
- Ensure stamp works well; use black ink
- Stamp each WIC check in the "Pay to the Order of" box
- Endorse back of each check
- Deposit checks for payment
- Order new or replacement stamps from your WIC vendor manager
- Return any problem check ASAP to your local agency WIC vendor manager; WIC checks expire 60 days from 1st date to use.

If you have any questions about the Nebraska WIC Program please contact either your local WIC agency vendor manager or Regina Paschold at the State WIC office by calling 402-471-2781 or via e-mail at

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Nebraska.gov

WIC website address:
dhhs.ne.gov



SHELF LABELS

If you would be interested in Nebraska WIC shelf labels for the special formulas and medical formulas eligible for use in the Nebraska WIC Program please let us know. If enough interest is expressed we will develop a set for you to use in your store. Please contact either your local agency WIC vendor manager or Regina Paschold at the State WIC office by calling 402-471-2781 or via e-mail at Regina.Paschold@Nebraska.gov

Thank you!

COMMENT PERIOD...

The USDA is taking comments on the new food package interim rule.

- Comments must be postmarked on or before February 1, 2010.
- Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:
 - Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>
 - Mail: Debra Whitford, Director

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*HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE NEBRASKA WIC STAFF
TO YOU AND YOUR EMPLOYEES! BEST WISHES FOR
THE NEW YEAR! WE APPRECIATE YOUR PARTNER-
SHIP WITH US AS WIC AUTHORIZED RETAILERS.*

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